## WELCOME TO ST. PATRICK'S ESKER/DODSBORO/ADAMSTOWN NEWSLETTER

21<sup>st</sup> JUNE 2020



#### Welcome To St Patrick's Esker/Dodsboro/ Adamstown June 21, 2020

Det Garda Colm Horkan who died while serving the community

Paddy Hyland, Jim Cunningham, Mick Conlon

James (Jim) Foley, Kenny Buckley, Michael Corcoran, Ann Bingham John & Agnes O'Neill, Billy & Kitty Roberts, Michael & Kathleen Lanigan, Deceased members of the Murphy, Byrne & McGuinness family, Dan McGuinness, Patrick Lambe, and Ian Murtagh whose

Baby Gracie Hope Kirwan whose funeral took place this week

We remember our deceased Dads on this Fathers' Day

#### Readings - Sun. 21st June

anniversaries occur.

**The first reading** - The prophet Jeremiah suffers greatly on account of his faithfulness to God's word. His courage consists not in the absence of fear, but in his continued proclamation, even when it costs him dearly.

**The second reading** - 'The gift itself considerably outweighed the fall.' The consequences of sin are very real, very concrete, but God's grace and his providence are always of greater consequence. Sin has entered the world, but God's Son, in entering the world, has defeated it.

**The Gospel - Matthew 10:26-33** - 'Do not be afraid.' Three times in this short reading we hear those words. Why the repetition? Because Jesus sees and understands our tendency to fear, and because he wants to replace it with courage

Biblical Reflection ~ Fr. John will be broadcasting a five minute biblical reflection Mon-Fri at 10am on the parish web site – www.st.patrickslucan.ie

### ALONE - Corona Virus Helpline for Older

People ~ If you have concerns or queries about Covid-19 call ALONE's dedicated support line 0818 222 024 everyday 8am-8pm.

# Seeing your Life through the Lens of the Gospel Matthew 10:26-33

- 1. 'Do not fear' is the unifying theme in this passage which is set in the context of a mission sermon by Jesus, preparing his disciples for what lay ahead. He urges them to have courage in speaking and living his message, drawing strength from their trust in the Father whose care for us exceeds his care for hundreds of sparrows. How has trust in God been a source of strength in life for you?
- 2. For Jesus the important thing is to be true to one's real self, even if this does involve some material or physical loss or pain. When you have had that kind of courage, what was it like for you?
- 3. There is no such thing as secret discipleship. It is in declaring their allegiance to Jesus that his followers will find life. They will be the losers if they hide their discipleship. Does this resonate with your experience?

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